

## MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

August 30, 1962  
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Palmer presiding.

## Roll call:

Present: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Absent: Councilman Perry

Present also: W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager; Doren R. Eskew, City Attorney; Reuben Rountree, Jr., Director of Public Works; Robert A. Miles, Chief of Police

Invocation was delivered by REV. BRANDOCH LOVELY, Unitarian Church.

MR. WALTER KOCH appeared before the Council stating eight plaques had been made in the past to point out historical places in the City, and the Council and Texas Heritage Society had approved them. One plaque was placed on the City Hall, and another was erected in Zilker Park, but removed because the wording was ambiguous. He had the remaining six plaques which should be erected. Councilman Armstrong moved that these five plaques be placed on the proper places as designated, and Mr. Walter Koch be thanked for promoting this. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None  
Absent: Councilman Perry

The matter of installing these plaques was referred to the City Manager to direct the Recreation Director to have these plaques placed. As to the one for Zilker Park, it was asked if the Kiwanis Club would want to make another plaque or correct the original one.

The Council greeted and welcomed MISS MARILYN MILES, daughter of Chief of Police Miles.

Councilman Shanks moved that the Minutes of the Meeting of August 23, 1962, be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None  
Absent: Councilman Perry

Councilman Armstrong introduced the following ordinance and moved that it be published in accordance with Article 1, Section 6 of the Charter of the City of Austin:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 5.06 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE ISAAC DECKER LEAGUE, IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None  
Absent: Councilman Perry

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Armstrong moved that the ordinance be passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None  
Absent: Councilman Perry

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, a certain easement ten (10.00) feet in width for electric anchor purposes, was granted the City of Austin in, upon and across a part of Lot 23, Block J, Herman Brown Addition No. 2, Section 1, a subdivision of a portion of the George W. Spear League and the Daniel J. Gilbert Survey, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Herman Brown Addition No. 2, Section 1 of record in Book 8 at page 176 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas; and,

WHEREAS, since another electric anchor easement is to be granted in a more desirable location, the owners of the above described property have requested the City Council of the City of Austin to release the hereinafter described portion of said easement; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the hereinafter described portion of said easement is not now needed, and will not be needed in the future; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute a release on behalf of the City of Austin of the following described electric anchor easement:

All of that certain easement ten (10.00) feet in width out of and a part of Lot 23, Block J, Herman Brown Addition No. 2, Section 1, a subdivision of a portion of the George W. Spear League and the Daniel J. Gilbert Survey in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, according to a map or plat of said Herman Brown Addition No. 2, Section 1, of record in Book 8 at page 176 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, the centerline of said easement being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in a line five (5.00) feet north of and parallel to the south line of said Lot 23, Block J of Herman Brown Addition No. 2, Section 1 and from which point of beginning the southeast corner of said Lot 23 bears S 48° 39' E 5.26 feet and N 59° 18' E 10.00 feet;

THENCE, N 48° 39' E to point of termination of said electric anchor easement.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Perry

Mayor Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN CONTRACT WITH WAYNE BURNS COMPANY FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF MONEY PAID TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN UNDER SUCH CONTRACT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Shanks moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Perry

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Shanks moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Perry

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Shanks moved that

the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None  
Absent: Councilman Perry

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

At this point COUNCILMAN PERRY enters the Council Room.

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute a transfer and assignment of the following Special Assessment Certificate to W. L. Meier, Sr.

Special Assessment Certificate No. 6102-1161-60.68(g), P-2705(d) for the improvement of Clay Avenue, such certificate evidencing the special assessment of the sum of Two Hundred Sixty-eight and 84/100 (\$268.84) Dollars for a portion of the cost of improving such street levied against all of the North 20 feet of Lot 5 and all of Lot 4, Block 4, Broadacres according to the map or plat of said addition in Volume 3, Page 135 of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas, and against the owners thereof, including Ed. A. Glenewinkle and wife, Lois Glenewinkle, the apparent owners.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None

Mayor Palmer brought up the following zoning applications deferred from August 16th:

JAMES W. CROW  
By Trueman O'Quinn

917 Reinli Street

From "A" Residence 1st  
Height and Area  
To "C" Commercial 2nd  
Height and Area  
RECOMMENDED by the  
Planning Commission

ASSOCIATES, INC.  
By Trueman O'Quinn

901-905 Reinli Street

From "A" Residence  
To "C" Commercial  
RECOMMENDED by the  
Planning Commission

Mr. O'Quinn appeared in behalf of the applicants, stating he was aware of the fact Reinli was an inadequate street; and if it were a matter of widening Reinli there was no problem as far as his clients were concerned. Councilman

White explained the problem of Mr. Watt Schieffer who had no access to his property. The Director of Planning pointed out an ultimate problem to all of the tracts in this area as to how the streets would be developed. The Council postponed action until the following week in order that Mr. Watt Schieffer could appear and be heard again.

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51ST STREET CORPORATION  
By Gibson R. Randle

1014-1022 East 51st  
Street  
5100-5102 Interregion-  
al Highway

From "IR" Local Retail  
1st Height & Area and  
5th Height & Area  
To "C" Commercial 1st  
Height & Area and  
5th Height & Area  
NOT Recommended by the  
Planning Commission

MR. TRUEMAN O'QUINN represented the applicants. The Director of Planning made a report on the transfer of ownership after the property was zoned "IR" Local Retail, stating the deed was recorded in Mr. Ned McDaniel's name; and in 1960, the property was transferred to 51ST STREET CORPORATION, by Mr. McDaniel, an officer. Councilman Perry inquired about the right-of-way, and Mr. O'Quinn stated if anyone had said he promised to give any right-of-way, they misrepresented the facts; that he said they would do what everyone else would do between the Interregional Highway and Airport Boulevard--if they all dedicate, he would dedicate it; if they sold, he would sell. He asked if he were mistaken, did the Council think those owners would hold an offer open for three years. Councilman Shanks asked why wasn't the property dedicated, and Mr. O'Quinn replied it was because they said they would dedicate if the others did, or they would sell it if the others sold theirs. Councilman White asked if the balance of the property owners gave the 10%, or 15' would Mr. O'Quinn give 15'; or if they sold 15' would he sell the 15'. Mr. O'Quinn answered if they built something on it they would give it back to the City without the City having to buy the buildings. The Director of Planning made a report on 51st Street in that it is a secondary thoroughfare, and the recommendation was that the right-of-way be 80'. He pointed out the future needs in the area with reference to the overcrossing. The Mayor asked Mr. O'Quinn if he would agree to an agreed building line contemplating the possibility of the City's needing 15'. Mr. O'Quinn stated he would. He said he or his partner would write a letter that they were aware of the city's problem with regard to the right-of-way and advise the Council that even under the new zoning, the property could be more intensely used; and in order to cooperate with the city in widening the street, that they would establish a building line which would not cause the City to have to buy a part of a building if it ever wanted to acquire at least 15' to widen the street. The Mayor stated the Council would look at the property and make some decision in the afternoon meeting. Later in the meeting the Council considered the matter again. The City Attorney read the Minutes of the Planning Commission of April 14, 1959. The City Manager stated two dedications of 15' on each side had already been acquired in the area. Councilman White stated Mr. O'Quinn said if right-of-way were donated, he would donate theirs. Council members suggested that Mr. O'Quinn be advised, and that the City Attorney check with him regarding this right-of-way matter. The Council postponed action until the City Attorney could check with Mr. O'Quinn.

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Pursuant to published notice thereof the following zoning application was publicly heard:

AUSTEX DEVELOPMENT  
CO., LTD., By the  
Marvin Turner  
Engineers

5728-5810 & 5731-5813  
Wellington  
2000-2006 & 2001-2007  
Dexmoor Drive  
5800-5810 & 5801-5805  
Belmoor Drive  
2000-2010 & 2001-2019  
Cheshire Drive

From "A" Residence  
To "BB" Residence  
RECOMMENDED by the  
Planning Commission

MR. CLYDE COPUS represented the applicants, stating they acquired the land in 1960, and reviewed the planning and development of the surrounding area. He said the property on the north and west side was commercial or "B" Residence; on the east side, they were building duplexes, and the area desired for apartments was buffered from the residences. He amended his application to delete the area backing up to the lots on Northridge Drive, for development of duplexes. His apartments were designed for families and couples, and was not an area for University students, and he did not plan to put them in there. He explained the street development and access to the school. He said these apartment units would be a permanent improvement for the neighborhood. MR. JACK COOK represented a number of adjoining residents in opposition. He filed about 23 letters from citizens protesting the change of zoning, and filed a petition in opposition which he stated was signed by the owners of more than 20% of the property within 200' of the property to be zoned. The petition was referred to the Assistant City Attorney to check. MR. COOK stated zoning was based on public welfare, public safety and public health, and not used for advancement primarily for private interest. Also zoning was to prevent overcrowding of land, congestion of traffic and to conserve the value of other buildings. He stated the proponents had not justified any of these requirements. Opposition was based on the high density of population these apartments would have, the overcrowding of the schools, about four or five times the number of cars of a residential area would be brought in; the creation of traffic problems, the hazards to the elementary school children caused by the new traffic; on the extra late-at-night activities; and on more noises that will come from this concentration of people. He stated Mr. Copus had other areas to build these apartment units in. Opposition was expressed by MRS. SAWYER, 5605 Westminister, MR. HERMAN WILKINS, MRS. MORGAN SMITH, JR., COLONEL GRENNAS, owning property on Ridgemont Avenue; MRS. A. E. GILBERT, CAPTAIN D. L. HEATHMAN, CAPTAIN J. A. MILLER, MRS. HERMAN NELSON, MR. GEORGE HILL, MR. LEE DICKERSON, MR. JAMES ALLBRIGHT, MRS. BILL RENO, COLONEL F. B. MANN, MRS. POOL, and MR. ED FULLER. The Director of Planning pointed out reasons he had not recommended the zoning, covering traffic problems in that traffic would flow through an intersection or through a residential area, the streets of which have no channelization; school problems; covering the possibility that the tract to the north could be developed into apartments, which would create very serious problems; and that Gaston Avenue was not a dedicated street and may have to be relocated. The Planning Commission Chairman pointed out reasons this was sound zoning, in that this was the least density apartment unit zoning and that the area is surrounded by a lower zoning classification or duplex development. As to traffic and the overcrowding of the schools, those were general problems of the city. The Mayor asked the group if it objected to the amended application, and the group answered it was still in opposition to the change of zoning. Later in the meeting, when the Council resumed its business, The Mayor announced the petition filed contained 24% of the property owners

within the required distance to require a four-fifths vote of the Council to make the requested change. The Council had under consideration the amended application, from which the lots on Wellington Drive which are now being developed with duplexes; and the lots backing up to those facing on Northridge Drive, had been removed as follows:

Deleted: 2001-2019 Cheshire Drive  
5728-5732 Wellington Drive  
5731-5813 Wellington Drive

Under consideration:

5800-5810 Wellington Drive  
2000-2996 & 2001-2007 Dexmoor Drive  
5800-5810 & 5801-5805 Belmoor Drive

Councilman Shanks moved that the applicant be required to amend his request whereby the agreed portion of this area remain "A" Residence, but the other agreed area be zoned in line with the Planning Commission recommendation. ("BB" Residence) The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: Councilman White

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted and the City Attorney was instructed to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

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Councilman Armstrong moved that the Council take the recommendation of the Town Lake Development Committee and name the low water dam "LONGHORN CROSSING DAM". The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None

The Chairman of the Town Lake Development Committee, MR. DAVID BARROW, stated the Committee had been interviewing consultants for developing the lake. Councilman Perry suggested that at least two be recommended to the Council.

Mayor Palmer introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE NECESSITY FOR AND ORDERING THE PAVING AND IMPROVEMENT OF PORTIONS OF CERTAIN STREETS IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR SUCH WORK, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS, DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF ESTIMATES, INVOKING THE ALTERNATE PROCEDURE PROVIDED BY ARTICLE I, SECTION 5 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND CHAPTER 106 OF THE ACTS OF THE FIRST CALLED SESSION OF THE 40TH LEGISLATURE OF TEXAS, DETERMINING THAT THE COST OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS SHALL BE PAID BY THE CITY OF AUSTIN, PROVIDING A METHOD

OF REIMBURSING THE CITY OF AUSTIN FOR A PORTION OF SUCH COSTS BY ASSESSMENT OF A PORTION OF SUCH COSTS AGAINST THE PROPERTY ABUTTING SUCH STREETS OR PORTIONS THEREOF TO BE IMPROVED, AND FOR THE FIXING OF A LIEN TO SECURE PAYMENT OF SUCH ASSESSMENTS, STATING THE TIME AND MANNER PROPOSED FOR PAYMENT OF ALL SUCH COSTS, DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO CAUSE A NOTICE OF THE ENACTMENT OF THIS ORDINANCE TO BE FILED IN THE MORTGAGE OR DEED OR TRUST RECORDS OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.  
(Crawford Avenue and sundry other streets)

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Armstrong moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Armstrong moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Armstrong moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

The City Manager submitted the following:

"August 28, 1962

"To: W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager      Subject: Cleaning and Waterproofing  
Exterior Brackenridge Hospital

"A Tabulation of Bids for Cleaning and Waterproofing Exterior of Brackenridge Hospital is submitted herewith. The lowest bidder is M. C. Painting Company of Jacksonville, Texas. This is the same company that is presently doing the work on the exterior of the Municipal Building.

"It appears to us that this company has considerable experience in this field and that their work at the City Hall has progressed satisfactorily, although quite a bit remains to be done.

"There is a wide difference between the lowest bidder and the other two bids, but we are assured by Mr. Smith of the M. C. Painting Company that the proposed work can be done within their proposed figure.

"Mr. Crandall, Hospital Administrator, concurs with us in recommending the award



of the contract to the lowest bidder, M. C. Painting Company, for the lump sum price of \$8392.00.

"A.M. Eldridge, Supervising Engineer  
Construction Engineering Division  
s/ A. M. Eldridge"

"CLEANING AND WATERPROOFING EXTERIOR BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL: Plans and Specifications by Construction Engineering Division, City of Austin. Bids opened at 10:00 A.M., August 28, 1962, in the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Brackenridge Hospital.

<u>BIDDERS</u>		<u>BASE BID</u>	<u>CALENDAR DAYS</u>
M. C. PAINTING COMPANY			
E. T. Smith	Certified Check		
Jacksonville, Texas	\$419.60	\$8,392.00	Ninety Days (90)
THE STEAMCLEAN COMPANY			
Mr. DeBerry	5% Bid Bond	\$17,890.00	One Hundred and
617 Water Street			Twenty (120) Days
San Antonio, Texas			
WESTERN WATERPROOFING COMPANY			
P. F. Lewis	Certified Check	\$19,197.00	Ninety Days (90)
2415 Butler	\$960.00		
Dallas 35, Texas"			

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on August 28, 1962 for cleaning and waterproofing the exterior of Brackenridge Hospital; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of M. C. Painting Company of Jacksonville, Texas, for the lump sum price of \$8392.00, was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by A. M. Eldridge, Supervising Engineer of the Construction Engineering Division, and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the bid of M. C. Painting Company of Jacksonville, Texas, for the lump sum price of \$8392.00, be, and the same is hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager of the City of Austin, be and he is hereby authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the City with said M. C. Painting Company of Jacksonville, Texas.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None

The City Manager announced he had two checks from the Austin Housing Authority, one for \$17,750.91, and the other \$7,379.80, for payments in lieu of taxes on Housing Projects Meadowbrook, Booker T. Terrace, Santa Rita, Tex. 1-6; and Chalmers Court, Rosewood and Santa Rita, Tex 1-3.

The City Manager stated plans for the laboratory in the Sewage Disposal Plant are complete and are on the table in the Mayor's Office, and the Construction Engineer would like to advertise for bids this week end. Councilman Shanks moved that the City Manager be authorized to advertise for bids for this laboratory. The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None

The City Manager discussed the need for a Vocational Nursing School to provide the community with more qualified people to do nursing service. He stated it was proposed to establish a school for Brackenridge Hospital, estimating the total cost to be around \$23,255, including salaries for the instructor and secretary at \$6,500; equipment and supplies at \$1,000; laundry for students, \$2,500; stipend for students at \$75.00 per month for the fifth through the twelfth months. During the period of training the nurses would be in service in Brackenridge Hospital for 960 hours each. The Administrator at the Hospital has some additional studies to do on this tentative plan. He recommended that the class room be in one of the buildings of the Caswell Estate. The City Manager said the Administrator thought he could get a class started in November.

Councilman Armstrong inquired about the request of MR. DEZENDORF for an itemized statement. The Assistant City Manager stated the Hospital was getting this statement for him.

The Assistant City Manager read a report from the Traffic and Transportation Department concerning the intersection of Riverside Drive and the Expressway, as inquiry had been made regarding stop signs. The Traffic Engineer wrote that this matter was under the jurisdiction of the State Highway Department. (He had written the Highway Department concerning reversing these stop signs to the East and West Service Roads of the Expressway, at Riverside Drive.)

Councilman White moved that the South Austin Optimist Club be granted permission to sell Christmas Trees at the location near South Lamar Bridge. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None

The City Manager announced that plans and specifications for Buttermilk Creek were on the table in the Mayor's Office. (Sanitary Sewer)

The Assistant City Manager stated he had specifications for a truck to be used for hauling sludge from the Water Treatment Plant. This is a truck tractor dump trailer unit. Councilman Armstrong recommended the specifications, and moved that the purchase be authorized. The motion, seconded by Councilman Shanks, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer

Noes: None

The Council discussed the matter of the intravenous tubing. Finally, it was suggested that the Council discuss it with the Chief of Staff at Brackenridge Hospital.

The Council discussed the specifications for tires. Councilman Armstrong stated the tire business was dependent on the worth of the tire company that made them, and one would be assured of good tires under his recommendation; but if the city is receiving good service that is fine, as the city has had more experience with the present supplier than he had. The City Manager reviewed the writing of the specifications for tires. The Assistant City Manager gave a report on past experience on tires, for the past five years, stating it was the general opinion that the present supplier furnishes a good tire and is giving good service. Councilman Armstrong stated he was convinced that the City was getting good service, good mileage and a good price. Councilman White moved that the City Manager be authorized to advertise for bids for tires. The motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer

Noes: None

The Council received a letter from the Tax Equalization Board, as follows:

"August 27, 1962

"The City Council  
City of Austin  
Municipal Building  
Austin, Texas

"Dear Council Members:

"In conformity with provisions of the City Charter, we, the Board of Equalization, herewith submit our report of activities for the year 1962.

"The Board of Equalization began hearings July 23, 1962, and finished its work August 27, 1962. All property owners who filed an appeal and requested a hearing were heard. There were 654 appeals filed from the valuations established by the Tax Department. The Board adjusted the values of 230 properties and sustained the values placed by the Tax Department on 424 properties.

"Having completed its work, we stand adjourned, subject to the call of the City Council to render any assistance the Council may desire.

"Respectfully submitted,  
s/ Harry D. Pruett  
Harry Pruett  
s/ Harvey E. Deen  
Harvey E. Deen  
s/ Carl T. Widen  
Carl T. Widen"

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, the Board of Equalization of the City of Austin has certified its approval of the tax assessment rolls and records of the City of Austin for the year 1962, and has forwarded the same to the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, said tax assessment rolls appear in all respects to be in correct form and prior to their submission the valuations of property shown in said rolls have been examined and corrected in the manner provided by law and ordinances of the City of Austin by the Board of Equalization; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That subject to such adjustments as may be found necessary by reason of appeals pending, the tax assessment roll, showing a total amount of \$555,467,130.00 valuation for said year, be and the same is hereby approved and adopted.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Perry, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Armstrong, Perry, Shanks, White, Mayor Palmer  
Noes: None

The City Manager stated he had a letter from the Secretary to the Board of Equalization regarding payroll for the Board members. The matter was referred to the Finance Director for audit.

The City Manager reported a situation that has developed with an apartment house owner who has told his tenants they would not have to pay the garbage collection fee, and now the tenants have lost their discounts and their service may have to be disconnected. The owner said he made an arrangement that he would pay the city direct. The City Attorney stated the City owes an obligation to inform the people whom it is charging for the service of the reason their garbage is not being picked up is because the owner will not allow the city to come on the premises; and if they want their garbage picked up, they will have to place it out on the curb. The Mayor suggested that the City Attorney notify these people why their garbage has not been collected, and he asked if this were agreeable with the Council, and the Council agreed it was.

The City Manager read a letter from Mr. W. L. Bradfield resigning from the committee which is rewriting the present zoning ordinance, as he would be out of the country from August 28th to November 14th and would miss ten of the meetings. The Council suggested that MR. TOM BRADFIELD take his place during his absence.

The City Manager said that MR. TOM BRADFELD had made an arrangement to develop the property of Mr. Delano's south of Zilker Park, and had been working on a Missouri Pacific Boulevard Extension through the area, and they want to meet with the Planning Commission and him to discuss the planning of the area. The Mayor suggested that after the bids for gas were received, the Council would talk to Mr. Bradfield.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 6:00 P.M. to go into executive session to hear a progress report by Mr. Jim Wilson, Attorney.

APPROVED

Leo E. Palmer  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Elsie Wooley  
City Clerk